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Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Monday (10-20).....NO MASS
Tuesday (10-21).....6:30 PM Mass at Spring Valley
+Leo and Frances Huebel (Julie Ducklow)
Wednesday (10-22).....7:30 PM Mass at Elmwood
+Francis Geraets (Bob and Kathy Geraets)
Thursday (10-23).....8:00 AM Mass at Spring Valley
+Duane Kelley (John and Nancy Ellingson)
Friday (10-24).....8:00 AM *Communion Service* at Spring Valley
1:30 PM Mass at Heritage of Elmwood NH
+Juanita Bates (Elmwood Altar and Rosary Society)

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday (10-25).....8:00 PM VIGIL Mass at Elmwood
Missa pro populo
Sunday (10-26).....8:30 AM Mass at Boyceville
+Alice Adams (Joe and Karen Adams)
10:30 AM Mass at Spring Valley
+John and Marie Kannel (Bob & Una Jenny)

BRIEFLY NOTED

Congratulations to the young people of our parishes on being confirmed by the Very Reverend Kevin Louis at a 6:30 PM Mass in Menomonie on Saturday. Confirmation Candidates from **Spring Valley** are: Jasmine Bauer, Rachel Coyne, Rebecca Fesenmaier, Jack Hannack, Collin Huebel, Nick Kalmes, Johnna Mueller, Jason Richardson, Jacob Rielly, Kalley Rustad, Jedidiah Schlegel, Alena Schneider and Regina Schneider. **From Elmwood:** Damon Erickson, Elizabeth Feuker, Elizabeth Fredrickson, Darek Nelson and Andrew Webb. **May these young adults be filled with the Holy Spirit and be soldiers of Christ as they go forth in life. Come Holy Spirit Come!**

St. Luke's Potluck Reminder: Please remember to stay after Mass for great food and fellowship today, October 19!

Parish Social Ministry Convocation: will be held on **Saturday, November 15, 2014** at the Comfort Inn and Suites in Black River Falls. This enriching day will begin at 8:30 in the morning and continue until 3:30 in the afternoon. Come join others who want to learn more about Peter's progression from fisherman to disciple of Christ, and how we, too, can be disciples. Contact Lorraine Riedl at 608.791.2665 or riedl@diolc.org for more information.

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 6:00-6:30 PM
Spring Valley
Saturday 7:00-7:45 PM
Elmwood
Sunday 7:45-8:15 AM
Boyceville

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Boyceville
Thurs. 5 PM to Friday 8 PM
Spring Valley

St. John the Baptist Church

Glenwood City: is hosting a Christmas Bazaar/Craft Show and Bake Sale on **Saturday, October 25th from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM.** Raffle Drawing at 1:00 PM. Lunch Served All Day.

Elmwood Save the Date: To further celebrate our Centennial Altar & Rosary will be hosting a Soup & Sandwich supper on **Saturday, Nov 15 from 5:00-7:30pm.** It will be a free will offering. Mass will be celebrated at 4:00pm and again at 8:00pm as that will be the Youth mass. We hope you plan to join us on that date!

Elmwood Centennial Items: If you haven't gotten your church centennial memorabilia: Centennial Book \$15.00, Ornaments \$15.00 or the 8 church window note cards \$5.00; They will be on sale after mass on **October 18 and November 15.**

Spring Valley Cemetery: Please remember that it is the families' responsibility to remove all flowers and decorations from the cemetery before October 24.

Pro-Life Minute - Fact: Abortion is the leading cause of death in the U.S. While never acknowledged by the media, abortion kills more humans every year than heart disease, cancer, and respiratory illness. *Pro-Life Minute is sponsored by Pro-Life Wisconsin. For more information visit ProLifeWisconsin.org*

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“STRENGTHEN YOUR BRETHERN” (Luke 22:32)

We continue with part four of the answer to the question posed by a parishioner: **“Who is a person to call if somebody needs the last rites before death” if the Pastor is gone?** Part one noted that although the Bishop entrusts a specific group of people – members of a parish – to the care of a particular Priest as Pastor, nevertheless **every Priest as part of the diocesan college or body of Priests (called the presbyterate) stands ready to meet the pastoral needs of anyone should the Pastor be unavailable.** And with most Priests shepherding multiple parishes plus having responsibilities beyond their communities, the lay faithful today appreciate just how common it is to have their spiritual needs met by the “team” of diocesan Priests! Part two exhorted you to **instruct your family now that you want a Priest to be notified should you experience a health crisis and reviewed the many means by which I am able to be reached directly or with the help of our staff.** Yet again this week the practical reality of what I have been describing played out! A family in a neighboring parish could not reach their Pastor to minister to their dying mother. The family then called me so I dropped everything and went to the Plum City Care Center to pray with the family and celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for their dying mother.

Last week’s part three of the answer noted the **scriptural indications** of the care of the sick in the Old Testament and above all in the **life and ministry of Jesus.** Even a cursory examination of the New Testament reveals that Jesus’ many deeds of physically healing the infirm were a sign of the Kingdom of God and connected with the even more fundamental spiritual healing, namely, the forgiveness of sins. In turn, Jesus gave to the Apostles the power to heal through signs – anointing with oil (Mark 6:12) and laying on of hands (Mark 16:18). That the Apostles understood that Jesus did not intend this gift and mission of healing to be limited to the beginnings of the Church is clear from the actual practice described in the **Letter of Saint James:** “Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the priests of the Church, and they should pray over him and anoint [him] with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven” (5:14-15). With the vicissitudes of history and a growing emphasis on its penitential character in the Latin West, **by the twelfth century the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick was not so much administered for the healing of the sick but as an immediate preparation for death.** Reflecting this change of pastoral practice, this sacrament came to be referred to as **“Extreme Unction”** – a name from the Latin meaning “final anointing” or “anointing at the very end (of life).” In English the complex of rituals with which priests accompanied the dying – including the actual anointing – were also commonly called the “Last Rites.”

Without denying the importance of this sacrament for those near death, discussions at the **Council of Trent** (1545-1563) demonstrated the desire to move away from its celebration exclusively for those whose death was imminent. However, it was the **Second Vatican Council** (1962-1965) that enunciated the principles that finally led to this long-anticipated reform of the pastoral practice of this sacrament: **“‘Extreme Unction’ which can also and better be called ‘Anointing of the Sick’ is not a sacrament exclusively for those who are involved in the final crisis of life and death. There can therefore be no doubt that the point when a Christian begins to be in danger of death, either through illness or old age, is already a suitable time to receive it”** (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, 73). The same Council’s *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church* continued in the same vein: **“Through the sacred Anointing of the Sick and the prayer of the priests, the whole Church commends the sick to the suffering and glorified Lord that He might relieve them and restore them to health** (see James 5:14-16), **and indeed it exhorts them freely to associate themselves with the Passion and Death of Christ** (see Romans 8:17; Colossians 1:24; 2 Timothy 2:11-12; 1 Peter 4:13), **and so contribute to the good of the People of God”** (11). In 1972 – with his *Apostolic Constitution on the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick* and the Latin typical edition of the revised *Order of Anointing of the Sick and the Pastoral Care of the Sick* – Blessed Paul VI brought to fruition the reform desired by Trent and Vatican II. A provisional English edition of the *Order of Anointing of the Sick and the Pastoral Care of the Sick* was approved in 1973. This temporary text was replaced in 1983 with the definitive English version which is still in effect today. To be continued!

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us! Saint Luke, pray for us!

Very Rev. Kevin C. Louis, STL

Stewardship for October 11-12

“How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?” (Psalm 116:12)

	Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Candles	Roof Fund
Spring Valley	\$1975	\$174.60		
Elmwood	\$1390	\$142.01	\$41.25	
Boyceville	\$480	\$93		\$500

BRIEFLY NOTED

World Mission Sunday – Today throughout the Church we observe **World Mission Sunday.** In his *Message for World Mission Sunday*, Pope Francis wrote: “Dear Brothers and Sisters, Today vast numbers of people still do not know Jesus Christ. For this reason, the mission *ad gentes* continues to be most urgent. All the members of the Church are called to participate in this mission, for the Church is missionary by her very nature: she was born “to go forth”. World Mission Day is a privileged moment when the faithful of various continents engage in prayer and concrete gestures of solidarity in support of the young Churches in mission lands.” May we joyfully show our solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world by our spiritual and financial support of the missions. **Brochures and envelopes for your contribution are available at the entrances of church.**

